

Job Announcement

Buffalo Bayou Park Cistern Tour Guide & Visitor Center Attendant

Opening Announcement:

Buffalo Bayou Partnership (BBP) is seeking a motivated individual to serve as a Cistern Tour Guide and Visitor Center Attendant for part-time work. The position requires availability for evening, weekend, and holiday shifts. The successful candidate is a team player who supports other staff members in the performance of their duties. As the attendant interacts directly with the public, an understanding, appreciation, and desire to work in a customer service role is essential.

Work Location:

The work location(s) include Buffalo Bayou Park, and its Visitor Center, Cistern, and adjacent venues.

Position Specifics:

Employment Status: Part-Time (10-30 hours/week)

Pay Rate: \$15/hour

Reports to: Buffalo Bayou Park Venue & Visitor Services Supervisor

Location: Wortham Insurance Visitors Center, 105 Sabine Street, Houston TX 77007

Availability Needed: Hours vary between 6:00 a.m. - 12:00 a.m. Monday - Sunday

Position Duties and Responsibilities:

- Creatively and proactively interact with guests at Buffalo Bayou Park, Visitor Center and throughout the park by providing information about park features and services:
 - Lead small and large groups of visitors through a scripted tour of the Cistern space
- Demonstrate knowledge of:
 - Buffalo Bayou Partnership's programs, history, mission, and ongoing work efforts
 - Park rules and enforcement
 - Cistern tour script
- Perform administrative park duties:
 - Sell admission tickets, update reservations, and check guests in using FareHarbor, an online reservation system
 - Answer phones, transfer calls, and answer questions about Buffalo Bayou Park and BBP
 - Maintain tour and visitor center attendance records
- Perform Bayou Boutique retail shop duties:
 - Inventory control, merchandise ordering, restocking, online orders and customer checkout and general customer service support

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- Perform light cleaning activities as directed
- Place or arrange signage in support of park activities
- Assist and perform other duties as assigned

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Clearly communicate:
 - A scripted message in a natural tone creating interest and engagement
 - With individuals of varying ages as well as social and cultural backgrounds
 - Bilingual or multi-lingual skills a plus
- Demonstrate the ability to:
 - o Provide excellent customer service
 - Communicate instructions which are friendly and authoritative
 - Represent the park with a high level of integrity and professionalism, adhere to park policies and support management decisions in a positive, professional manner
 - o Memorize, retain, and relay large pieces of information
 - Understand and follow standard operating procedures
 - o Read, understand, and complete written and verbal requests and work assignments
 - o Be flexible, and adaptable in a dynamic changing environment
 - Work weekends, evenings, and some holidays
 - Demonstrate a working knowledge of Microsoft office suite of programs
- A Plus:
 - Sing in front of a group
 - o Bilingual or multilingual skills
 - o Interest in architecture, art, parks and recreation, and natural environments

Required Educational and Physical Abilities

High school diploma or GED with customer service work experience, or any other combination of experience that provides the required knowledge, skills, and abilities may be considered.

- Must be able to lift 45lbs (furniture, heavy signs, etc.)
- Must be able to talk and walk backwards while leading a group of up to 49 people around a one-quarter mile dimly lit walkway.
- Must be able to perform work tasks in both indoor and outdoor environments

Please submit resumes to:

Alison Duran, Venue & Visitor Services Supervisor, Buffalo Bayou Partnership

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105 Sabine Street Houston, Texas 77007 aduran@buffalobayou.org No phone calls please.

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